

§ 97. Temporary committee on accounts of House

The Speaker of the House of Representatives of each Congress shall, before the termination of the last session of each Congress, appoint, from the Representatives-elect, a temporary committee on accounts, of three members, which said committee on accounts shall have the same powers and perform the same duties in reference to payments made from the contingent fund of the House of Representatives of the next Congress as are authorized by law and the rules of the preceding House of Representatives. Said temporary committee on accounts shall begin to exercise its powers immediately upon the termination of the previous Congress, and shall continue to exercise and discharge said duties until after the meeting and organization of the House of Representatives of the succeeding Congress, and until the appointment of the regular committee on accounts.

All payments made out of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives upon vouchers approved by said temporary committee on accounts shall be deemed, held, and taken, and are declared to be conclusive upon all the departments and auditing officers of the Government. (Mar. 2, 1895, ch. 177, § 1, 28 Stat. 768.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The regular committee on accounts, referred to in text, refers to the Committee on Accounts, which was merged into Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives, by act Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 753, § 121, 60 Stat. 822, effective Jan. 2, 1947. Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of this title.

§§ 98, 99. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 98, act Mar. 3, 1885, ch. 360, 23 Stat. 512, related to contracts for horses for service of House of Representatives.

Section 99, act Mar. 3, 1891, ch. 541, § 1, 26 Stat. 914, related to contracts for horses and mail wagons for House of Representatives.

§ 100. Contracts for packing boxes for House

Packing boxes for the use of the House of Representatives shall be procured after advertisement for proposals therefor, under specifications to be prepared by the Clerk of the House, and from the lowest and best bidder to furnish the same.

(Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 830, § 1, 31 Stat. 967.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Certain functions of Clerk of House of Representatives transferred to Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services by section 7 of House Resolution No. 423, One Hundred Second Congress, Apr. 9, 1992. Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services replaced by Chief Administrative Officer of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Jan. 4, 1995.

§ 101. Subletting duties of employees of Senate or House

No employee of Congress, either in the Senate or House, shall sublet to, or hire, another to do

or perform any part of the duties or work attached to the position to which he was appointed.

(Mar. 2, 1895, ch. 177, § 1, 28 Stat. 771.)

CROSS REFERENCES

Requiring or permitting employees of House to sublet duties, see section 87 of this title.

§ 102. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, R.S. §§ 60, 61; Pub. L. 86-628, § 105(c), July 12, 1960, 74 Stat. 461, required submission by Secretary of Senate and Clerk of House to two Houses of statements as to persons employed and as to expenditures and balances on hand and providing for printing of such reports as Senate and House documents. See section 104a of this title.

§ 102a. Withdrawal of unexpended balances of appropriations

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the unexpended balances of appropriations for the fiscal year 1955 and succeeding fiscal years which are subject to disbursement by the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall be withdrawn as of June 30 of the second fiscal year following the year for which provided, except that the unexpended balances of such appropriations for the period commencing on July 1, 1976, and ending on September 30, 1976, and for each fiscal year beginning on or after October 1, 1976, shall be withdrawn as of September 30 of the second fiscal year following the period or year for which provided. Unpaid obligations chargeable to any of the balances so withdrawn or appropriations for prior years shall be liquidated from any appropriations for the same general purpose, which, at the time of payment, are available for disbursement.

(Pub. L. 85-58, ch. XI, June 21, 1957, 71 Stat. 190; Pub. L. 94-303, title I, § 118(a), June 1, 1976, 90 Stat. 615.)

AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 94-303 provided that unexpended balances for period commencing July 1, 1976, and ending Sept. 30, 1976, and for each fiscal year beginning on or after Oct. 1, 1976, be withdrawn as of Sept. 30 of second fiscal year following period or year for which provided.

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SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in title 40 section 188b-6.

§§ 103, 104. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 103, R.S. § 62, authorized Secretary of Senate and Clerk of House to require disbursing officers subject to their authority to return analytical statements and receipts for expenditures and to communicate such

returns annually to Congress. See section 104a of this title.

Section 104, R.S. §63, required that all expenditures of Senate and House be made up to end of each fiscal year and reported to Congress at beginning of each regular session. See section 104a of this title.

§ 104a. Semiannual statements of expenditures by Secretary of Senate and Clerk of House

(1) Commencing with the semiannual period beginning on July 1, 1964, and ending on December 31, 1964, and for each semiannual period thereafter, the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall compile, and, not later than sixty days following the close of the semiannual period, submit to the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively, and make available to the public, in lieu of the reports and information required by sections 102, 103, and 104 of this title, and S. Res. 139, Eighty-sixth Congress, a report containing a detailed statement, by items, of the manner in which appropriations and other funds available for disbursement by the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, have been expended during the semiannual period covered by the report, including (1) the name of every person to whom any part of such appropriation has been paid, (2) if for anything furnished, the quantity and price thereof, (3) if for services rendered, the nature of the services, the time employed, and the name, title, and specific amount paid to each person, and (4) a complete statement of all amounts appropriated, received, or expended, and any unexpended balances. Such reports shall include the information contained in statements of accountability and supporting vouchers submitted to the General Accounting Office pursuant to the provisions of section 3523(a) of title 31. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, in any case in which the voucher or vouchers covering payment to any person for attendance as a witness before any committee of the Senate or House of Representatives, or any subcommittee thereof, during any semiannual period, indicate that all appearances of such person covered by such voucher or vouchers were as a witness in executive session of the committee or subcommittee, information regarding such payment, except for date of payment, voucher number, and amount paid, shall not be included in the report compiled pursuant to this subsection for such semiannual period. Any information excluded from a report for any semiannual period by reason of the foregoing sentence shall be included in the report compiled pursuant to this section for the succeeding semiannual period. Reports required to be submitted to the Senate and the House of Representatives under this section shall be printed as Senate and House documents, respectively.

(2) The report by the Secretary of the Senate under paragraph (1) for the semiannual period beginning on January 1, 1976, shall include the period beginning on July 1, 1976, and ending on September 30, 1976, and such semiannual period shall be treated as closing on September 30, 1976. Thereafter, the report by the Secretary of the Senate under paragraph (1) shall be for the semiannual periods beginning on October 1 and end-

ing on March 31 and beginning on April 1 and ending on September 30 of each year.

(3) The report requirement relating to quantity, as contained in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (1), does not apply with respect to the Senate.

(4) Each report by the Secretary of the Senate required by paragraph (1) shall contain a separate summary of Senate accounts statement for each office of the Senate authorized to obligate appropriated funds, including each Senator's office, each officer of the Senate, and each committee of the Senate. The summary of Senate accounts statement shall include—

(A) the total amount of appropriations made available or allocated to the office;

(B) any supplemental appropriation, transfer of funds, or rescission and the effect of such action on the appropriation or allocation to the office;

(C) total expenses incurred for salary and office expenses; and

(D) the unexpended balance.

(Pub. L. 88-454, §105(a), Aug. 20, 1964, 78 Stat. 550; Pub. L. 88-656, Oct. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 1088; Pub. L. 94-303, title I, §118(b)(1), June 1, 1976, 90 Stat. 615; Pub. L. 102-392, title I, §6, Oct. 6, 1992, 106 Stat. 1707; Pub. L. 103-283, title I, §3(a), July 22, 1994, 108 Stat. 1426.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 102, 103, and 104 of this title, referred to in text, were omitted from the Code.

CODIFICATION

In par. (1), "section 3523(a) of title 31" substituted for "section 117(a) of the Budget and Accounting Procedures Act of 1950 (31 U.S.C. 67(a))" on authority of Pub. L. 97-258, §4(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1067, the first section of which enacted Title 31, Money and Finance.

Section is based on the first paragraph of section 105 (a) of Pub. L. 88-454. Remainder of section 105(a) was classified to section 67 of former Title 31, which was repealed by Pub. L. 97-258, §5(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1068, and reenacted as section 3523 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103-283 added par. (4).

1992—Pub. L. 102-392 added par. (3).

1976—Pub. L. 94-303 designated existing provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2).

1964—Pub. L. 88-656 provided that information regarding persons paid by voucher for appearances as a witness before any committee of Congress in executive session shall not be included in semiannual report except for date of payment, voucher number, and amount paid, however, any information so excluded shall be included in next succeeding semiannual period.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-283 effective with respect to reports and statements covering periods beginning on and after Oct. 1, 1994, and appropriations made and obligations incurred on and after such date, see section 3(c) of Pub. L. 103-283, set out as a note under section 59f of this title.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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